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#### JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Plague in Wakayama and Osaka.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, January 7, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that since my last report, dated December 22, 1900, the following cases of pest have been returned to health authorities at Tokyo: December 22, Wakayama Ken, 1; December 23, Osaka, 3.

A case of suspected pest was reported from Nagasaki on December 29, but diagnosis was stated to be uncertain, and as nothing more has been heard from it the disease has probably proved something else.

With the exceptions above given the general sanitary condition of

Japan is good.

Respectfully,

STUART ELDRIDGE,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

### PORTO RICO.

## Report from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., January 14, 1901.

SIR: Through chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended January 12, 1901. Nothing more than routine work has been done this week. Four vessels were inspected and passed and 3 bills of health issued. The sanitary condition of the city is fairly good and better care is being taken of the streets than formerly.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,

Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

#### SCOTLAND.

Smallpox in Glasgow—Concerning plague at Hull.

[Cablegram.]

LONDON, ENGLAND, January 30, 1901.

The consul at Glasgow reports 385 cases of smallpox and spreading. Two deaths of plague at Hull, crew *Friary*. No cases yesterday.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

## STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

## Condition of cholera in Singapore.

SINGAPORE, December 22, 1900.

SIR: The number of cases of cholera are not increasing, are rather slowly decreasing; the maximum during the last week has been 6 (on one day). It is confined to the natives, and would long ago have been